

INFORMATION BULLETIN

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT

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TO: WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY

SUBJECT: SOLICITATION FOR PROPOSALS—WIA VEAP

This information bulletin announces the potential availability of up to \$6,000,000 in Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Veterans' Employment-Related Assistance Program (VEAP) 15 Percent Governor's Discretionary funds. This announcement also transmits the Employment Development Department WIA VEAP Solicitation for Proposals (SFP) for funding available February 1, 2005, through July 31, 2006. Successful applicants may receive grants of up to \$500,000.

Proposals will be accepted from Local Workforce Investment Boards, local public agencies, and private nonprofit organizations, including faith-based and community organizations. The objective of this SFP is to successfully reintegrate veterans into the workforce, and it will target those projects that provide services to assist in integrating veterans with the most barriers into meaningful employment within the labor force. Applicants should be familiar with their geographic area and the population to be served, able to administer an effective program that will respond to local needs, and carry out the objectives of the program. Successful applicants will be required to provide employment and training services, supportive services, placement and follow-up through a case management approach.

Proposals received in response to this SFP will be evaluated through a competitive process. The proposals that are most responsive to the State's priorities identified within the SFP and offer the greatest assurance of successful program operations will be considered for funding. The State reserves the right to negotiate the amount awarded under this competitive process. It is anticipated the SFP will be valid for 16 months; all funding is subject to performance and availability. The program will be conducted in accordance with WIA Section 168, Veterans Workforce Investment Program and Veterans' Priority Provisions of the "Jobs for Veterans Act", Public Law 107-288.

Applicants must satisfy all eligibility criteria and may submit only one proposal for funding. As stipulated in this SFP, **late proposals will not be considered for funding. Proposals are due by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, December 29, 2004.** If you are interested in submitting a proposal, download the SFP at www.edd.ca.gov/wiarep/wiaspind.htm.

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